Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 02 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 03 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 02 Nov 2023 at 03:40 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for an unsettled, cold, windy spell of weather developing during Thursday, continuing on Friday. High confidence for a drier weekend and for lighter winds Saturday, picking up again on Sunday. Lower confidence on shower details.

Headline for Thursday 02 Nov 2023: Dry, bright morning. Rain mainly north and east of area in afternoon. Strengthening winds. Feeling bitterly cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 02 Nov 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	20%	20%	40%	60%

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Weather: Dry Thursday morning with clear then sunny spells. Cloudy afternoon and evening with rain extending to many ranges, most persistent in north and east of area. Staying drier towards Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% in morning reducing 40% during afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility in the morning, although misty in some of the glens at first. Occasional cloud cover above about 600 to 700m. Visibility becoming poor as rain edges in with more extensive cloud cover.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	26/33 SE	26/34 E	26/34 NE	26/35 NE	29/40 NE	30/41 N	30/40 N
900	20/24 SE	14/16 E	18/23 NE	18/24 NE	24/31 NE	25/33 NE	24/31 N
600	7/9 SE	7/9 SE	10/14 NE	11/17 NE	15/21 NE	16/24 NE	15/22 N
300	2/4 NE	2/7 NE	5/14 NE	7/17 NE	9/21 NE	10/24 NE	10/23 N
Glen	2/5 NE	3/8 N	5/16 N	6/20 N	5/21 N	5/22 N	5/21 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-10	-1/-9	-0/-8	-0/-8	0/-7	0/-7	0/-7
900	2/-4	1/-4	2/-4	3/-3	3/-3	3/-3	3/-3
600	3/0	2/-1	3/-0	4/1	5/1	5/1	5/1
300	2/1	3/1	4/3	6/4	6/4	7/4	6/4
Glen	-0/-2	2/1	6/4	7/5	8/5	7/4	7/4
Freezing Level*	1000m	1100m	1300m	1400m	1500m	1500m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Note deteriorating conditions during the day. Strengthening winds with rain edging into north and east of area with lowering cloud bases.

Forecast for Friday 03 Nov 2023

Weather: Mainly cloudy with further outbreaks of rain, most persistent and heavier over Monadhliath and northern Cairngorms. Drier, brighter weather in southwest of area.

Maximum wind: Strong northeast winds, average speeds of 30mph with gusts 45 to 50mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% in north, 60% in south.

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility in south of area with patchy cloud above 700m with a canopy of cloud above many of the tops. Misty conditions in the north with poor visibility in more persistent rain. Also more extensive clouds in the north lower down the hills.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 Celsius rising to 9 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1400m.

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